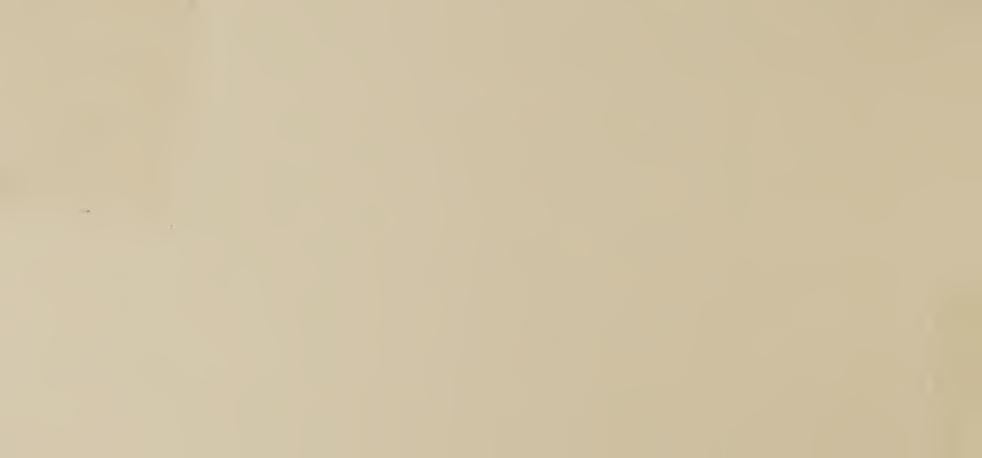
Historic, Archive Document

Do not assume content reflects current scientific knowledge, policies, or practices.



NOTICE-Postmaster-Return Postage Guaranteed.

Descriptive List of COLORADO FIELD SEEDS









Mr. Victor R. Boswell Senior Horticulturist Washington, D. C. LIECKO TED

TO U. S. Department of Agrice's

--FROM --

R. H. JAMES--ROCKY FORD, COLORADO



WHAT IS THE ADVANTAGE

Because of convenience to the shopper locations where thousands pass daily command the highest of rents. These places are taken by firms having steady year round sale of standardized merchandise. However by reason of its very vitalness seed buyers have learned to use more than ordinary care in the purchase of seeds upon which the very existence of their livelihood depends. For this reason, we find few high priced locations used by seedmen, and planters pay all kinds of prices, and go to all kinds of trouble, to be sure to get the seed that will serve them best.

The seed offered herein have very largely been grown here in the Rocky Ford Irrigated District, one of the most nenowned seed production centers of the world. I know of no other section where such a large proportion of the farmers produce seed of one sort or another year after year. Personally seed production has been my main business now for over 35 years and few people have had a more extensive or varied experience. I believe as a result that the varieties I am offering will prove of exceptional profit to you. In a small community like this I do not think worth while to try to handle a large assortment, nor will I even advise the planting of all seed listed as locations and altitudes vary.



IMPORTED SEED. This season, as never before, imported seed of alfalfa and clover is being featured by some seedmen. The Department of Agriculture has made a very thoro test of improted seed from all lands. As primarily in employ of the planters, they have secured drastic regulations concerning the importation of these seeds. One is that all seed imported must have a certain proportion of this seed stained. While seed stained purple or green may give fair service seed stained red are definitely known to be unsuited to our climate and in most cases give out the first Winter that touches them.

COLORADO HARDY ALFALFA SEED

Buying cheap alfalfa seed is like buying cheap paint. For a small saving in price you can not afford to take the chance of getting a failure of stand or having it Winter kill or die of disease. The expense and trouble of getting a stand is something that should not be risked more than is necessary.

I claim that the climatic conditions at Rocky Ford are such that Winter hardiness of alfalfa seed produced here is as pronounced and dependable as seed from any part of the Northern Lands. bar none. While we are not famous for fifty below freezes we do have deep frost penetration, almost no snow protection, and probably more freezing and thawing than any place you can name. At any rate it is a fact that the only varieties of fruits surviving our Winters are the ones adapted to the Northern tier of states and the colder provinces of Canada. Lack of snow protection and altitude is the explanation.



The Lowdown on the New Ladak Alfalfa

The above picture illustrates the characteristic stooling of the Ladak Alfalfa. By reason of burying its crown and starting its shoots underground this alfalfa outlives and outproduces any sort which I know of. Just recently introduced it is proving to be absolutely resistant to the all prevailing Wilt disease and can now be classed as the most disease resistant and Winer hardy of all known alfalfas. I have reports from customers and experiment stations in Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, Dakotas, Minnesota, Montana, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, Utah and Wyoming, all agreed it is the best alfalfa for their sections. With all alfalfa seed so high the price asked for this new and scarce variety is comparatively cheap. Supply limited and can not be replenished. Blue Tag Certified Seed © 50c per lb. Grower Affidavit seed © 40c. The latter was eligible for certification. Will be pleased to submit samples.

COLORADO COMMON ALFALFA

This is the alfalfa that has made Colorado the great alfalfa state. You will find it to be Winter hardy but does not stand up to the Wilt nor does it produce as much or as fine hay as Ladak. It is as good Common as is grown. No noxious weeds. Priced from 22c to 30c per lb. according to grade. Send for samples. There is no better seed than the 30c grade.

GRIMM ALFALFA

We are offering this in the Grower affidavit only as it has about passed out as a-seed production variety. Nice 99% purity seed at 30c per lb. The extra feed value of one cutting will many time repay you for the slight additional cost.



REED CANARY GRASS

This grass is offered for the customers in high altitudes and high latitudes as being the best for permanent pasture. It is in some sections classed as a swamp grass because of its tolerance of swampy conditions but at the same time it flourishes with only moderate irrigation. It is fairly tolerant of Alkalai and grows wild in Colorado at 4000 feet altitude up. Can be grown wherever alfalfa will live and produces as much hay or pasture and is safe for cattle and sheep. Seed Early in Spring using disc or harrow instead of plow using four to six pounds seed per acre. Eighteen inch rows will sod over in a couple of seasons. For further information see Farmers Bulletin No. 1602. Seed supply limited. Price 50c per lb.



CRESTED WHEAT GRASS

For the high plains and Northern States Crested Wheat is undoubtedly the coming dry land grass. For reseeding the short grass and sage brush country it is a class by itself. Should be seeded early in Spring or in the Fall. If you have some dry land to reseed this is the seed you need. It is also a coming crop as a seed producer under irrigation as it makes lots more seed if irrigated. For seeding broadcast or with grain drill use 10 or 12 pounds per acre. In 18 or 20 inch rows 4 or 5 pounds. Sixty five cents per pound.



ATLAS SORGHUM

This is the sensation of the sorghum family. It is not an early variety it matures much more feed value in silage than corn will and is better adapted for the dry land feeder. While it is capable of making very heavy yields of good feed quality grain, ever since its introduction seed has been scarce and high priced, so fast has the demand for it been.

Seed I have was grown at Rocky Ford from certified seed and is genuine Atlas. Price \$10.00 per cwt.





TERMS: All offering subject previous sale and stock being exhausted on receipt of order. Delivered free on board cars Rocky Ford. Sacks weighed in. Each lot tagged to conform to Colorado seed laws. Send cash with order. No C. O. D. shipments. Address orders to

R. H. JAMES --- Rocky Ford, Colo.

Miscellaneous Seeds

Sudan Grass—Colorado Grown, free from Johnson grass S	\$4.50 cwt.
Seed Corn—Certified Reid's Yellow Dent	5.50 cwt.
Seed Corn—Smoky or Northwestern Dent, 75 day extra early _	4.50 cwt.
Ladino Clover—Greatest pasturing clover. Sow with Reed Canar	y—70c lb.
Strawberry Clover—For Alkalai land	1.60 lb.
Pinto Beans—A change of seed will pay you 10c lb.	8.00 cwt.
Great Northern Beans—Wyoming seed 11c lb.	9.00 cwt.
Hopi Lima Bean—Worthy of trial 10c lb.	8.00 cwt.
Wilbur Lima Bean—Popular vining Baby Lima 10c lb.	8.00 cwt.
Henderson Bush Lima Bean— The original Baby Lima 10c lb.	8.00 cwt.